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Subject: RE: Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for a General Management Plan Amendment,

Point Reyes National Seashore

Thanks for your email.

I have reached out to colleagues at the SF Bay RWQCB - they have indicated they will be looking at the project regarding water quality impacts and how to integrate with their dairy and confined animal facilities programs, and grazing program; and have potential concerns related to allowing other ag uses besides livestock.

- Would you like to participate in my discussions with them? And,
- When do you need input and in what format?

Thanks,

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Hi Susan,

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Proposed Action—Based on the purpose and need for action, the NPS proposed action includes the Elements Common to All Action Alternatives and the following additional elements:

- Issue agricultural lease/permits with 20 year terms to existing ranch families to continue beef and dairy operations on approximately 27,000 acres within the planning area.
- The proposed action would include opportunities for operational flexibility and diversification, establish approximately 900 acres of resource protection buffers, and provide programmatic review of best management practices.
- Implement a land management framework on ranch lands allowing for different intensities of land use depending on the zone (ranch core, pasture, and range). Diversification activities (e.g. poultry) would be allowed in the ranch core zone. Pasture areas would allow for some increased pasture management activities. Range areas would be dedicated to livestock grazing.
- Take actions to minimize elk-related impacts including: Hazing, fence repair and modification, water development, habitat improvement, and other measures as appropriate. The Drakes Beach free-range tule elk herd would be managed at a level compatible with authorized ranching operations. The NPS would manage

within that range using translocation outside of the park if practicable, or agency-managed lethal removal methods. Additionally, the NPS will evaluate management of tule elk from the Limantour free-range herd if they affect ranchlands.

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